



ST. JOSEPH ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH &

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission
Catholic Diocese of Charlotte

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Mass Times

Saturday Vigil at Our Lady of Guadalupe

4:30 pm (English) & 6:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday at St. Joseph

9:30 am (English) & 11:00 am (English)

Daily Masses at St. Joseph

(Daily Masses are offered in English unless otherwise posted)

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday: 12:00 pm

Eucharist Adoration

Thursday: 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (OLG-Spanish)

Friday: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (St. Joseph-English)

Confession Times

Thursday: 7:10 PM - 8:00 PM (OLG-English/Spanish)

Friday: 11:15 AM - 11:50 AM (St. Joseph)

& by request or appointment.

Religious Education/Catechesis (All at St. Joseph)

- **Sundays 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm for kids ages 5 to 17**
- **Thursdays 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm for adults**

PARISH LEADERS

Parish Council Chair: Ken Paulus

Parish Council Vice Chair: Tom Wilmot

Parish Council Secretary: Glenda Jarrett

Finance Chair: William Knopf

Director of Religious Education: Sussette Webster

Hispanic Ministry Leader: Jose Jesus

St Joseph's Brothers Chair: John Anspach

Parish Life Chair: Naomi Loman

Respect Life Coordinator: Nancy Thomason

Music Ministry Chair: Carol Tucker

***Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time,
Year A, July 19, 2026***



The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all who cause others to sin and all evildoers. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. – Matthew 13:41-43

Parish Offertory 7/12/2026

- **St. Joseph \$ 1,428.96**
- **OLG \$ 680.00**

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May the good Lord bless you as you think of us



Pastor's Ink

(For Sunday and Weekday Readings visit: <https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-readings>)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13:24-43

This week, Jesus again uses parables to illustrate deeper truths to those gathered to hear Him speak. When His disciples pressed to learn the message behind the parable of the wheat and the weeds, Jesus explained that the Son of Man seeds the earth with good children, but the weeds, or children of the devil, grow up beside the children of the kingdom. God allows these good and bad seeds to comingle until the end of time, when angels will come to gather the righteous into heaven where they will “shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father.” Evildoers and those who cause others to sin face wailing and gnashing of teeth in the fiery furnace.

We don't know if Jesus explained the parable of the mustard seed or the yeast to His disciples, but both stories seem to speak along a similar theme: even small measures can yield substantial results. A pinhead-sized mustard seed can grow into a 20-foot-tall tree within a few years. The mustard tree can survive harsh conditions, and its wood is known for its strength and resistance to decay. The tree is also known as a biodiversity oasis, able to support a range of birds, animals and insects.

Biblical scholars have likened the mustard seed to the Christian faith – a tiny movement which blossomed into a worldwide following that sustains and provides refuge for people of diverse ethnicities and backgrounds. The Church also has survived and thrived throughout the ages through strength forged in the wood of the cross.

This mustard seed parable can also apply to us individually. We start our Christian journey as small seeds sown by a loving God. If we focus our energies on growth, we can achieve mighty heights and fulfill the purpose for which God intended us.

Vigil (Saturday) at OLG Cherokee 7/18/26 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A	4:30 pm English 6:00 pm Spanish	Mass (OLG): Mass (OLGJ): For the Sick and Homebound
Sunday, 7/19/26 at St. Joseph	9:30 am 11:00 am	Mass: Mass: For Our Parish Family
Monday 7/20/26 Monday of the Sixteenth Week of Ordinary Time	12:00 pm	Mass: Eternal Repose of Captain Nicholson
Tuesday, 7/21/26 Tuesday of the Sixteenth Week of Ordinary Time	No Mass	
Wednesday, 7/22/26 Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene	12:00 pm	Mass:
Thursday, 7/23/26 Thursday of the Sixteenth Week of Ordinary Time	12:00 pm	Mass:
Friday, 7/24/26 Friday of the Sixteenth Week of Ordinary Time	12:00 pm	Mass: Mass Intention for Chris and Lee Burns



Please pray for those on our parish prayer list:

Jenny Bonnette, Ted & Kay Gillrup, Suzy Goldberg, Kenneth Hawes, Doris Kearns, Mary Herr, Nancy Thomason, Dianne Ellis, Rita Turner, Bill Hadley, Jan Johnston, Julie Wilmont, Bill Jones, Abby Jones, Harmer & Maggie Weichel, Lynn Graczyk, Ruzica Cuk



Choir Members Needed	Parish Directory	Bulletin Announcements
St. Joseph's Choir has great need for cantors and musicians. All are welcome – amateurs and experts! 🎵 Please join us for practices at 9 AM on Sundays and/or 5 PM Fridays at St. Joseph.	We are entering the final preparation stages for publishing our parish directory. If you are not currently receiving Flocknotes, we do not have the correct information for our directory. Please take the time to review your Flocknote info at St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church & Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission // Home. Or text “JOSEPHANDMARY” to 84576 to register.	If you have any announcements for the bulletin or Flocknotes, please send them to Kelly Wingard at wingard.kelly@gmail.com. All announcements should be sent by Wednesday preceding the Sunday bulletin.